

FERRIE,

DAVID WILLIAM (DECEASED)

M E M O R A N D U M

28 December 1966

TO: JIM GARRISON  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY

FROM: WILLIAM GURVICH  
INVESTIGATOR

SUBJ: DAVID WILLIAM FERRIE & AL BEAUBOUF - GUNS, SALE OF

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Following my discussion with you regarding DAVID FERRIE, I endeavored to contact certain pilots who have known him and might have had contact with, or knowledge of, him during recent years.

I contacted one KEN MENARD, Manager of General Aviation at New Orleans International Airport, who could not give much information about FERRIE that was not already known.

MENARD said he recently purchased a 30-06 rifle with scope from AL BEAUBOUF, a friend and protege of FERRIE. I told him I would be interested in seeing this gun to examine it and he informed me he had loaned it to a friend to go hunting. At first it appeared that the gun was not in New Orleans at this time but MENARD soon called me back to tell me his friend was not leaving until the next day. I immediately made plans to meet MENARD and substitute one of my personal rifles for his.

At 4:00 PM, 26 December 1966, I met MENARD on the aircraft parking ramp at New Orleans International Airport. He gave me his rifle, which he had picked up from his friend since our last telephone conversation, and I gave him my own Winchester Model 70, .308 caliber rifle with a four-power Redfield scope and one box of Winchester 150 grain cartridges for his friend's use. MENARD stated he had paid BEAUBOUF \$40.00 for the rifle.

At 4:40 PM, this date, I arrived at DISTRICT ATTORNEY JIM GARRISON'S office and turned the rifle over to him. This is a 30-06 caliber, Remington barrel and action, Fajen stock with Monte Carlo cheekpiece, Dacote 4-9X40 scope, Weaver mounts, good overall condition. The serial number of this rifle is 4008967 (U.S. Remington).

MENARD also told me BEAUBOUF had offered to sell him a .357 caliber pistol on the Wednesday before Christmas. I suggested to MENARD that he purchase this pistol if he could.

On 27 December, at 10:00 AM, I arrived at JIM GARRISON'S office with my photographic equipment and made several close-up Polaroid pictures of this newly acquired rifle.

On this same date I learned that BEAUBOUF had given his address as 2427 ALVAR STREET when picked up on 23 NOVEMBER 1963 at the residence of DAVID FERRIE. In reality this was not his address and was probably used in an attempt to conceal the fact he was living with FERRIE, a known homosexual.

At 2:00 PM, 27 December, MENARD called FERRIE at New Orleans Lakefront Airport and asked that he have BEAUBOUF call him. FERRIE said he expected to hear from BEAUBOUF momentarily and

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would deliver the message.

At 6:30 PM, 27 December, MENARD reported to me that BEAUBOUF was flying to New Orleans International Airport from Lakefront Airport to deliver the .357 caliber pistol. I arrived at the International airport at 6:50 PM as BEAUBOUF was landing.

At 6:58 PM, BEAUBOUF and a male companion parked their aircraft on the concrete ramp immediately in front of GENERAL AVIATION. This was a CESSNA 150 (two place), blue and white, registration number N3916J. This is owned by SPREMICH ENTERPRISES, a private charter, instruction and rental business at Lakefront Airport, owned by RUDY SPREMICH. SPREMICH formerly flew with National Air Lines, then worked for the Federal Aviation Agency, leaving them when his division was transferred to Houston, Texas.

BEAUBOUF was wearing an open button-down sweater, gray slacks, sport shirt, no hat. His companion was a male caucasian, 5-10, 160, blonde wavy hair, wearing a white, open, button-down sweater. The latter constantly patted and fingered his hair in a rather effeminate way.

BEAUBOUF entered GENERAL AVIATION carrying a small box. His companion followed.

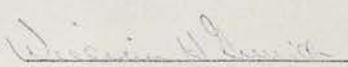
at 7:10 PM, both came out with MENARD, spoke briefly outside the building, then BEAUBOUF and companion went to the rest room area where they remained three minutes. They came out, entered the aircraft in which they had arrived, taxied away from the ramp and took off on runway 19 at 7:22 PM.

At this time the weather was overcast and it was raining. It is my opinion that it was not "Cessna 150" weather.

At 7:17 PM MENARD gave me the pistol he had just purchased from BEAUBOUF. This is an INTERCONTINENTAL ARMS .357 revolver, single action Frontier type, blue steel, brass frame handle and trigger guard, with walnut grips, serial number 5361.

On 28 December, at 10:00 AM, I arrived in JIM GARRISON'S office and turned this gun over to him..

On this date I photographed the revolver taking close-up Polaroid pictures. I then stripped the 30-06 rifle and scope and made 4X5 and 35mm close-up's of the rifle and revolver. 8X10 black and white prints were then submitted to the District Attorney.

  
WILLIAM H. GURVICH

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M E M O R A N D U M

30 December 1967

TO: JIM GARRISON  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

FROM: WILLIAM GURVICH  
INVESTIGATOR

SUBJ: DAVID WILLIAM FERRIE - DISTINGUISHED HAIR-DO

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On 29 December 1966, I visited New Orleans Lakefront Airport for the purpose of gathering information about DAVID WILLIAM FERRIE. I thought the following would be of some interest.

Approximately three months prior to this date, FERRIE expressed a desire to look distinguished. In order to do this he clipped hair from a white mongrel dog and pasted them on his temples. He apparently experienced a feeling of accomplishment as he wore them for several days.

To my knowledge this was not reported to the SPCA or the barber's union.

  
WILLIAM H. GURVICH

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M E M O R A N D U M

15 February 1967

TO: JIM GARRISON  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY

FROM: WILLIAM GURVICH  
INVESTIGATOR

SUBJ: DAVID WILLIAM FERRIE - 1957 INCIDENT

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Although I had known of DAVID WILLIAM FERRIE for several years prior to April 1957, this was my first encounter with him in any legal or criminal fashion. Excerpts of that incident follow.

On 17 April 1957, MRS. FRANK VILLAMEUR, wife of the owner of BELL RADIO & SUPPLY COMPANY, 2625 Tulane Avenue, relative to thefts of merchandise.

On 22 April I learned that an employee of the victim had been arrested in Los Angeles, California on 6 March 1951 (as a juvenile) and in New Orleans on 6 January 1954 for shoplifting. The employee was MICHAEL OTTY CLYDE WAKELING, residing 209 VINET STREET, METAIRIE, LOUISIANA.

When first interrogated WAKELING denied knowledge of the missing merchandise but later confessed when led to believe I was summoning an eye-witness who would identify him as the one who was seen entering the rear of the victim's place of business after closing hours.

At 3:10 PM, 22 April, I arrived with WAKELING and a Jefferson Parish Deputy Sheriff at 209 VINET STREET where WAKELING pointed out items he admitted stealing. These items were one Voice of Music mahognay phonograph, one Voice of Music amplifier, two sets of wrought iron table legs.

When we arrived at 3:10 PM a male caucasian was washing a car in front of the address. As I glanced at him his peculiar hair and eyebrows were immediately noticeable. Looking further I recognized him as DAVE FERRIE, a pilot with EASTERN AIR LINES. I asked him, "Aren't you DAVE FERRIE?" To which he replied, "Yeah."

Inside 209 VINET STREET the odor was atrocious. In a room that might at one time have been a dining room were many cages with white mice. These cages were against each wall and stacked on top of each other. There was no air conditioning or exhaust fan and the filth and odor were so sickening the Deputy, two New Orleans Detectives and I went outside and let WAKELING bring the stolen property to us. WAKELING explained the white mice by saying he lived with FERRIE who was experimenting to develop a cure for cancer. I told him he had certainly developed one for sinus.

At 4:00 PM, 22 April 1957, WAKELING was charged with RS 14:67-69, Affidavit Number 156-584, Item No. D8605-57, First District, Zone "O". Total value: \$239.63

WAKELING'S NOPD BOI number is 68446. BOI Los Angeles is 162904.

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WILLIAM H. GURVICH

M E M O R A N D U M

14 February 1967

TO: JIM GARRISON  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY


FROM: WILLIAM GURVICH  
INVESTIGATOR

SUBJ: DAVID WILLIAM FERRIE - I. E. NITSCHKE'S DESCRIPTION OF

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I have on this read the January 17, 1967, statement of I. E. Nitschke and wish to make the following note.

On page three, paragraph one, NITSCHKE identified NOPD BOI Photo #107062 of DAVID FERRIE as being one of the persons he had met in the late GUY BANNISTER'S office. During NITSCHKE'S description and discussion of FERRIE, he added that the coat worn in the photograph looked like the one worn by FERRIE when he saw him in person.

Your attention is directed to my report of 27 January 1967. On page three, paragraph five, aircraft mechanic FRED LENZ, when interviewed by me, at the WHITE ROCK AIRPORT in Dallas, Texas, selected this same photograph of FERRIE and said he had seen him at that airport, LENZ also mentioned a sport jacket (coat) that was "checkered, brown and light gray or white." This description is very similar to the coat worn by FERRIE in the photograph.

  
WILLIAM H. GURVICH

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NAME FERRIE WILLIAM DAVID No. 2285996  
 Last (Print) Middle or Maiden First  
 STREET 3330 LOUISIANA AVE  
 CITY OR TOWN N. O.

LICENSE NUMBER  
 NEW ☒  
 RENEWAL ☐  
 DATE 10-1-14

RESTRICTIONS  
 DATE OF BIRTH 3-28-18 RACE W SEX M HAIR Brun EYES Brn WEIGHT 190 HEIGHT 5-11 PARISH OF RESIDENCE 368  
 OCCUPATION OF APPLICANT Mechanic WHERE EMPLOYED Nation Car Rental

Answer all questions below by MARKING THE SQUARE opposite each. If answer is "YES", fill in details.

☐ No ☒ Yes Have you ever been licensed in Louisiana to operate a Motor Vehicle? When? 3-28-62 If under a different name, what name?

☐ Have you ever taken any part of an examination for a Louisiana Driver's or Chauffeur's License? What year? ? Where? N.O. Did you pass? Yes What type license was issued? Driver's ☒ Chauffeur's ☐

☒ Was this license restricted? Yes ☐ No ☒ List restrictions: None

☒ Have you ever been convicted of a violation of the Motor Vehicle Law? What offense? None (Parking Not Included)

☐ When? None Where? None

☐ Have you ever had your driving privilege, or license, revoked, suspended, cancelled or denied? Which? None When? None Why? None Have you been reinstated or relieved? None

☒ Are you now under suspension or revocation in ANY State? Which one? None Why? None

☒ Are you now or have you ever been licensed to drive in any State? Which States? None License Number: None

☒ Are your driver's licenses now expired? None When did they expire? None

☒ Do you wear Corrective Lenses? Contact ☐ Glasses ☐

☒ Have you ever suffered from epilepsy, fainting spells or dizzy spells? Are you now cured? None

☒ Do you have any physical or mental defects that would make you unfit to drive? Are they? None

☒ Have you ever been addicted to the use of intoxicating liquors or narcotics? Are you now cured? None

☒ Have you ever been a patient in an institution for the insane?

☐ Is the vehicle that you will be operating covered with Liability Insurance?

☒ Do you understand that if you make a false statement on this application, you will be liable for perjury?

I do solemnly swear that the applicant's name set forth in this application is William David Ferrie, 1966. I further swear that I am the father or guardian of the applicant and I authorize the Department of Transportation to issue a license to the applicant.

Signature of Father or Guardian William David Ferrie day 10-1-14  
 Signature of Mother None day None  
 Signature of Examiner or Notary Public David W. Ferrie

REMARKS:

I do solemnly promise to obey and uphold all traffic laws to the best of my ability and further will do all in my power to promote SAFETY on all public streets and highways, and swear or affirm that the statements on this application are true and correct.

AFFIDAVIT OF APPLICANT FOR LOUISIANA CHAUFFEUR'S LICENSE

THE APPLICANT DESCRIBED HEREON STATES THE INFORMATION GIVEN TO BE TRUE, SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME THIS 14 DAY OF October, 1966.

First William David Middle or Maiden Ferrie Last Ferrie

Examiner or Notary Public, David W. Ferrie

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
 MISSISSIPPI HIGHWAY PATROL  
 UNIFORM ARREST TICKET  
 OFFICER'S COPY

DISTRICT 8 P 111981

County, Miss. Franklin Beat No. 5

Highway 119 Date 10-1-14 Time 1518

Day of Week Sat. Accident Yes ☐ No ☒

NAME DAVID W. FERRIE

Street 704 HARRIS DR

City & State Metairie La

Owner W. D. Ferrie Race W Sex M

Operator W. D. Ferrie State La

Year 1966 Make Cadillac Type Lim Model De Ville BIRTH 3-28-18

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED TO APPEAR BEFORE Judge W. D. Ferrie Address Metairie La

On 5-7-62 At 6:00 O'clock P M.

To answer for violating the Laws of Mississippi, to-wit:

1. Speeding Speed 80 Zone 60

2. None

Against the peace and dignity of the State of Mississippi.

Signed W. D. Ferrie Unit No. 126  
 Patrolman

JUDGMENT BY COURT

Chrg.	Fine	Cost	Guilty	Not Guilty	Arpd.	Date
1. <u>Speeding</u>						
2. <u>None</u>						
3. <u>None</u>						

I certify that this is a true and correct copy of my court records.

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Judge W. D. Ferrie Seal David W. Ferrie  
 Signature David W. Ferrie Domain-Metairie

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14 February 1967


TO: JIM GARRISON  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY

FROM: WILLIAM GURVICH  
INVESTIGATOR

SUBJ: DAVID WILLIAM FERRIE - CHAUFFEUR'S LICENSE

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While awaiting the arrival of DAVID FERRIE'S application for a chauffeur's license, if available, I have read the January 30, 1967, statement of JOHN IRION. On page ten I noticed that FERRIE purchased a school bus to apparently transport trainees to the Cuban training area on the North side of Lake Poontchartrain. If FERRIE operated this vehicle this could account for the necessity of a chauffeur's license. I offer this only as a possibility at this time.

  
WILLIAM H. GURVICH

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S T A T E M E N T

of GEORGE LARDNER, JR., White Male, 32 years of age, residing 5604 Thirty-Second Street NorthWest, Washington, D. C., relative to his interview with DAVID WILLIAM FERRIE on this date.

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Questions by WILLIAM GURVICH

Answers by LARDNER

Q. What is your full name, please?

A. George Edmund Lardner, Junior.

Q. You are with the Washington Post, is that right?

A. Right.

Q. Is your presence in New Orleans in relation to the District Attorney's investigation?

A. Yes.

Q. How long have you been in the city?

A. I arrived Monday evening, the twentieth of February.

Q. Where are you staying?

A. The Bourbon-Orleans.

Q. Have you interviewed DAVID WILLIAM FERRIE since your arrival?

A. Yes.

Q. When was that?

A. From approximately midnight February twenty-second to a few minutes before four A.M., this date, or February twenty-second, anyway you want to put it.

Q. Where did this take place?

A. At MR. FERRIE'S flat, that's 3330 Louisiana Avenue Parkway.

Q. Was anyone else present?

A. No.

Q. How did you get there?

A. By cab. I forget which company it was, I think it was United.

Q. What was the purpose of your visit there?

A. To interview MR. FERRIE in relation to published reports about what he had said of the investigation, and whatever comments he might care to make.

Q. How did you gain entrance?

A. I rang the doorbell, lights were on, and as I got out of the cab I could see MR. FERRIE walking to the doors that led to the second floor porch that fronts the street.

Q. Did he open the door for you personally?

A. Yes.

Q. Did he do that by electric lock release or manually?

A. He came down the stairs and opened the door.

Q. How was FERRIE dressed?

A. Had on brown pants, white shirt open at the neck, he was barefoot. He said he was just about to go to bed when I pulled up.

Q. Did he say he noticed you pull up or was he first aware of your presence when you rang the bell?

A. Well, he didn't make reference to my pulling up but I could see him looking down at the street, as I got out of the cab. I told the cab to wait until he either consented to see me or turn me away because I didn't want to get stuck

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out there without transportation back to town.

Q. How long did the cab wait until you released it?

A. Oh, perhaps half a minute, I had paid him before I got out of the cab and had told him to wait till I waved or came back.

Q. Was FERRIE friendly towards you?

A. Yes, er, I had been out there earlier in the day when he wasn't there and had left a note under the door asking him to get in touch with me.

Q. What was your first impression of FERRIE?

A. Well, er, let me see, er, intelligent, well-versed guy and a broad range of subjects. He was in a good mood.

Q. What was your first impression of his apartment?

A. Kind of messy. He excused the condition of it, apologizing for the condition stating he had just moved in.

Q. Where did you sit during your interview?

A. I sat on a sort of old chair, living room chair, single seat.

Q. Where did FERRIE sit?

A. He sat mostly on a couch opposite me and against the wall.

Q. Can you recall any particular or unusual statement or answer FERRIE gave?

A. Looking back on it, he described himself as sort of moody, made a passing reference to it, and at another point he said in relation to, er, the assassination of President Kennedy, that a President isn't any better than anybody else. That any man who is killed deserves a full and complete investigation, as full and complete as is given the President.

Q. Did FERRIE answer all of your questions?

A. Yeah, he rambled quite a bit, I didn't get that many questions in. He would go into long discussions about various things. Philosophy, training, and, er, general outlook on the world.

Q. Did FERRIE say anything to you about moods of depression or fear of any particular thing?

A. He at various points mentioned that, as I recall it, he made a reference to manic-depressive moods, and, er, that he was concerned that some remarks he might make, if published, might trigger MR. GARRISON into making premature arrests. I asked him if he were worried and he said he wasn't. He let me into the apartment, er, with more or less the understanding I would read back to him the comments I intended to use. On the grounds he didn't want to make any problems for himself and that he wasn't particularly anxious to be interviewed.

Q. Did FERRIE say when he experienced his last manic-depressive mood?

A. No, no. He referred to it only in passing.

Q. Your impression was that he was not in a manic-depressive mood during your interview.

A. Oh, right, yeah, that's correct, that's my impression.

Q. Did he talk about any of his friends?

A. Of his, friends? He referred to JACK MARTIN, said he was sort of a courthouse habitue and semi-appointed private in-

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vestigator. That should be self-appointed investigator.

Q. Did he go into detail about JACK MARTIN or anyone else?  
A. Not too much.

Q. Did he at all?  
A. He said, at one point, that you, WILLIAM GURVICH, were well-acquainted with JACK MARTIN.

Q. MARTIN, JACK MARTIN?  
A. Yes, JACK MARTIN.

Q. Again, did he mention any names or refer to friends?  
A. He also referred to youngsters that he had befriended over the years. He described it as sort of a hobby, taking deserving youngsters who are products of broken homes and helping them get ahead in life. He said he felt he had been pretty successful, that some had turned out doctors, military officers, and the like.

Q. Did you notice any medication in the apartment?  
A. I noticed, particularly, a brown bottle that was standing on the piano near where we were sitting. It had a label on it but I don't recall what the medication was.

Q. Was the bottle empty?  
A. I couldn't tell, the label covered most of the front.

Q. Did FERRIE eat, drink or take any medication, liquid or otherwise, during your visit?  
A. He made a pot of coffee and we both had a cup?

Q. Do you know if the coffee was already prepared or did he make it fresh during your visit?  
A. I think he made it fresh, he observed that it came out too strong.

Q. What room were you in?  
A. The living room.

Q. Did FERRIE receive any phone calls or make any calls during your visit?  
A. No.

Q. Did anyone else come to his apartment during your visit?  
A. No.

Q. Did FERRIE say if he was expecting anyone?  
A. No, he didn't say one way or the other. I take it he wasn't since he indicated he was about to go to bed as I drove up.

Q. Did you ask him if he thought he was a suspect in any current investigation?  
A. I didn't put it that way. I asked him, as I mentioned before whether he was worried in light of the investigation.

Q. Did FERRIE say, or indicate, that any of his friends or associates were worried about any current investigation?  
A. No, he didn't.

Q. Did you ask him if he knew or was friendly with any person interviewed by the WARREN COMMISSION?

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- A. No, except for LEE HARVEY OSWALD. I only asked about OSWALD.
- Q. What was his reply?
- A. Oh, yes, right, he said no, he didn't know him and had no recollection of ever meeting him. I did ask him about a conversation he had earlier in the week with CARLOS BRINGUIER and he acknowledged it had taken place.
- Q. Did he say what they discussed?
- A. BRINGUIER had told me what they had discussed.
- Q. What did BRINGUIER tell you?
- A. He said that FERRIE had asked him several questions in relation to the assassination of PRESIDENT KENNEDY.
- Q. What were the questions?
- A. Let me check my notes. One, any Americans or any Cubans that OSWALD had any association with in NEW ORLEANS. FERRIE asked BRINGUIER if he knew any. And two, if there is a conspiracy, when did it start, the dates. FERRIE explained to me that he was conducting his own investigation because he didn't trust GARRISON'S investigation and didn't have much faith in the court system.
- Q. Was FERRIE at all nervous during your interview?
- A. He didn't appear to be, several times he would get up and walk around and we parted on what I thought was a cheerful note.
- Q. Did FERRIE express an opinion about recent publicity?
- A. He said he was the one who, by telling the STATES-ITEM that an investigation was indeed in progress over the Kennedy assassination forced GARRISON to publicly acknowledge it.
- Q. Did he say if the local press was aware of the investigation prior to that?
- A. I can't recall the sequence on that. I think he indicated it was. I was under the impression that it was.
- Q. Did FERRIE say if anyone was filtering confidential or classified information to him?
- A. Not in those terms.
- Q. Then how did he express it?
- A. He indicated that he felt he was in fair standings with the FBI, that they had thoroughly investigated any possible role that he may have had in the assassination and that they had found nothing wrong.
- Q. Did he say if he was receiving any information from our office, that is, the DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, that he should not have?
- A. He said he had what he considered pretty good pipelines but he didn't specify who.
- Q. Did FERRIE express his opinion of the KENNEDY ASSASSINATION?
- A. Yes, he said he thought there was just one assassin, that he had had his own doubts about this but resolved them only this Sunday. He said his doubts were based solely on the confusion over the autopsy report. Here's what he said. The shortcoming of the WARR N REPORT insofar as it would leave the door open to that speculation (plot) and did

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cause me to feel there was a second assassin and therefore a plot. I found was the result of hastily collated material poor cross-checking and editing, and that confusion as far as I am concerned could have come only from the autopsy report and nothing else.

NOTE: LARDNER in latter part of answer was quoting FERRIE.

Q. Is there more?

A. Yes. He also said QUOTE It was not until it occurred to me that the public post-mortem should have reflected the position, not of the various wounds in a body when lying on a slab, but rather a body sitting in a position similar to what it was at the time of the shooting END QUOTE Parenthesis That I, FERRIE, Close Parenthesis resolve my doubts.

NOTE: LARDNER finishing quote for FERRIE.

A. (continuing) He did say he had given them a lot of leads or perhaps, more precisely points, to check out. That he had given them an exhaustive run-down of where he had been on his trip to TEXAS that afternoon:

Q. What afternoon?

A. Afternoon the PRESIDENT was killed. Said he had also given it to the DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE and that, as I recall it, it was at his insistence that the statement be given to the FBI, SECRET SERVICE, everybody.

Q. Did he talk about his arrests of the past?

A. I gathered only illusion he was making to arrests in past was his reference to youngsters he had helped and befriended. I took that to be his answer to what seems to be a common understanding.

Q. Is there anything you can think of during your interview with DAVID WILLIAM FERRIE that might be of interest or assistance to the DISTRICT ATTORNEY?

A. No, not off hand.

Q. Did you want to add something?

A. To finish the other answer, a common understanding or rather suspicion that these friendships might in any way be improper.

Q. Will you describe your parting with FERRIE?

A. I had been asking him to agree to publication a comment he had made during the interview. It related to the time he said he was questioned by the DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE in the recent investigation last NOVEMBER. The substance of the comment was that when he was called in the DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE said they wanted to run over the statement he had made in 1963 on the grounds that they had lost their copy. He said he replied that he would get the statement for them from the FBI. He said that the DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S men told him QUOTE NO, DON'T DO THAT UNQUOTE. FERRIE replied that he would go to the FBI and get a copy of the statement. He said the DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S men told him QUOTE DON'T SAY WE SENT YOU UNQUOTE.

Q. Did FERRIE get that statement from the FBI?

A. He said that when he went to the FBI their immediate response was OH THAT'S JACK MARTIN.



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FERRIE said that the DA'S investigation was touched off by JACK MARTIN.

- Q. Did FERRIE say if he got that statement?
- A. FERRIE said that as soon as they said JACK MARTIN with some disgust FERRIE abandoned the idea. Relating back to our parting. In any event, FERRIE did not want these comments used on the grounds he said that it might get him in the middle of a fuss between the FBI and the DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE and that it might trigger a QUOTE PREMATURE ARREST UNQUOTE. And he implied that this would be unfair.
- Q. Was FERRIE referring to himself?
- A. I did not think that he was.
- Q. Do you have any idea about whom he was referring?
- A. No.
- Q. What time did you leave FERRIE this morning?
- A. I left shortly, I think, before four a.m.
- Q. Did you call a cab?
- A. Yes.
- Q. What company.
- A. Yellow cab company. They came within a few minutes and I went back to the hotel.
- Q. Will you be available for the next day or so?
- A. Next day, pretty sure, or so, I don't know.
- Q. Do you feel that this was a reasonable and expected interview between you and me?
- A. Yes, except for the QUOTE ER'S UNQUOTE.
- Q. Was it made voluntarily?
- A. Yes.

SIGNED:

*George E. Lardner, Jr.*  
GEORGE E. LARDNER, JR.

This statement taken by, and typed by, WILLIAM GURVICH, in the office of the DISTRICT ATTORNEY, PARISH OF ORLEANS, STATE OF LOUISIANA, ON 22 February 1967, concluding at 9:10 PM/

*William H. Gurvich*



M E M O R A N D U M

15 February 1967

TO: JIM GARRISON  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY

FROM: WILLIAM GURVICH  
INVESTIGATOR


SUBJ: DAVID WILLIAM FERRIE - CHAUFFEUR'S LICENSE APPLICATION

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On 14 October 1966, DAVID WILLIAM FERRIE applied for a Louisiana Chauffeur's License.

In this application, FERRIE gave his address as 3330 Louisiana Avenue, New Orleans, place of employment "Nation" Car Rental (apparently should be National). As his occupation, FERRIE gave Mechanic. Other information pertains to physical description which corresponds with that already known.

May I call to your attention that an associate of FERRIE'S was, or still is, employed by NATIONAL CAR RENTAL.

  
WILLIAM H. GURVICH

WHG:wg

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NAME		Last (Print)		Middle or Maiden		First		N <sup>o</sup> 2285996	
STREET		3330		LOUISIANA		AVE		LICENSE NUMBER	
CITY OR TOWN		N. O.						NEW <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
DATE		3-28-64						RENEWAL <input type="checkbox"/>	
RESTRICTIONS								DATE	
DATE OF BIRTH		MO.		DAY		YEAR		PARISH OF RESIDENCE	
3-28-18		W		M		Bm Bm		190 5-11 366	
OCCUPATION OF APPLICANT		Mechanic		WHERE EMPLOYED		Nation Car Rental			
Answer all questions below by MARKING THE SQUARE opposite each. If answer is "YES", fill in details.									
No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Have you been licensed in Louisiana to operate a Motor Vehicle? When? 3-28-62 If under a different name, what name?									
<input type="checkbox"/> Have you ever taken any part of an examination for a Louisiana Driver's or Chauffeur's License? What year? ?									
Where? N. O. Did you pass? Yes What type license was issued? Driver's <input type="checkbox"/> Chauffeur's <input type="checkbox"/>									
Was this license restricted? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> List restrictions: ?									
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Have you ever been convicted of a violation of the Motor Vehicle Law? What offense? (Parking Not Included)									
When? ? Where? ?									
<input type="checkbox"/> Have you ever had your driving privilege, or license, revoked, suspended, cancelled or denied? Which? ?									
When? ? Why? ? Have you been reinstated or relicensed? ?									
<input type="checkbox"/> Are you now under suspension or revocation in ANY State? Which one? ? Why? ?									
<input type="checkbox"/> Are you now or have you ever been licensed to drive in any State? Which States? ? License Number: ?									
Are your driver's licenses now expired? ? When did they expire? ?									
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Do you wear Corrective Lenses? Contact <input type="checkbox"/> Glasses <input type="checkbox"/>									
<input type="checkbox"/> Have you ever suffered from epilepsy, fainting spells or dizzy spells? Are you now cured? ?									
<input type="checkbox"/> Do you have any physical or mental defects that would make you unsuitable to drive? Are they? ?									
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Have you ever been addicted to the use of intoxicating liquors or narcotics? Are you now cured? ?									
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Have you ever been a patient in an institution for the insane? ?									
<input type="checkbox"/> Is the vehicle that you will be operating covered with Liability Insurance? ?									
<input type="checkbox"/> Do you understand that if you make a false statement on this application, you will be liable for perjury?									
TO BE USED ONLY BY THE APPLICANT									
I do solemnly swear that the applicant's name set forth in this application is true, 1964. I further swear that I am the owner of the vehicle and that I am the operator of the vehicle.									
Signature of Father or Guardian									
Signature of Mother									
Signature of Examiner or Notary Public									

REMARKS:

I do solemnly promise to obey and uphold all traffic laws to the best of my ability and further will do all in my power to promote SAFETY on all public streets and highways, and swear or affirm that the statements on this application are true and correct.

AFFIDAVIT OF APPLICANT FOR LOUISIANA CHAUFFEUR'S LICENSE

THE APPLICANT DESCRIBED HEREON STATES THE INFORMATION GIVEN TO BE TRUE, SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME THIS 14 DAY OF April 1964

Signature of Applicant: *David W. Ferrie*

First Middle or Maiden Last

Signature of Examiner or Notary Public: *[Signature]*

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

MISSISSIPPI HIGHWAY PATROL

UNIFORM ARREST TICKET

OFFICER'S COPY

DISTRICT: *CLARK*

County, Miss. *CLARK*

Beat No. *5*

Highway *49* Date *4-28-64* Time *1548*

Day of Week *Sat.* Accident Yes ☐ No ☒

NAME *DAVID W. FERRIE*

Street *704 AIRLINE PK NVD*

City & State *NEW ORLEANS LA*

Oper. *991118* State *LA* Sex *M*

Tag *38-173* State *LA* Yr. *61*

Vehicle *1968* Make *Ford* Type *Car* Model *Mustang*

Owner *Sam C* Address *500*

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED TO APPEAR BEFORE

Judge *V. BOND* Address *SHULA*

On *5-7-64* At *6:00* O'clock *P* M.

To answer for violating the Laws of Mississippi, to-wit:

1. *STEER 4* Speed *80* Zone *60*

2. *STEER 4* Speed *80* Zone *60*

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Against the peace and dignity of the State of Mississippi.

Signed: *Ventura* Patrolman Unit No. *126*

JUDGMENT BY COURT

Chrg.	Fine	Cost	Guilty	Not Guilty	Appld	Date
1.	<i>25.00</i>	<i>2.50</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>4/28/64</i>
2.						
3.						

I certify that this is a true and correct copy of my court records.

Case *60* Docket *5* Page *60*

Judge *[Signature]* Seal

M E M O R A N D U M

15 February 1967

TO: JIM GARRISON  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY


FROM: WILLIAM GURVICH  
INVESTIGATOR

SUBJ: DAVID WILLIAM FERRIE - MISSISSIPPI TRAFFIC CITATION 1962

I have this date received the following information relative to MISSISSIPPI HIGHWAY PATROL UNIFORM ARREST TICKET P111981, issued on 4 February 1962 to DAVID W. FERRIE.

District 8, Beat 5, Harrison County, Mississippi. Highway 49, 4 Feb. 1962, Time 1548, Sunday. Issued to DAVID W. FERRIE, 704 Airline Pk. Blvd., Metairie, La. Operator's license No. 991148, Louisiana, White Male, Tag 318-173, Louisiana 1961. 1960 Ford car owned by same, address same. Birth 3/28/18. Case No. 60, Docket 5, Page 60. Speeding 80 in 60 zone.

A photostat copy of this citation is attached.

  
WILLIAM H. GURVICH

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MEMORANDUM

April 5, 1967

TO: Jim Garrison - District Attorney

FROM: William Gurvich  
Special Aide

Subject: Freemason Island Fishing Camp

On March 29, 1967, at 2:50 p.m., I arrived at Freemason Island by seaplane for the purpose of interviewing the operator of a fishing camp. This island is fifty miles southeast of New Orleans in the far eastern part of Louisiana.

At Freemason I interviewed Mr. & Mrs. Eustis Veazey, owners and operators of the quarterboat Neptune, a commercial fishing camp. The New Orleans area address of the Veazey's is 2405 Octovia Street, Chalmette, Louisiana. This is the residence of their daughter Mrs. Oris Creighton and the phone number is 271-0974. There is a two-way marine radio on the Neptune.

I pursued my investigation based on a confidential informant that David Ferrie had been on this island in July, 1965 and that one of the fishermen he flew there was Clay Shaw. My investigation revealed that Ferrie had been to this island at least three times prior to Hurricane Betsy on September 9, 1965. Both Veazeys identified photograph of David Ferrie and selected photographs of Guy Bannister and Clay Shaw and said they were familiar but could make no positive identification. Mrs. Veazey has never seen a picture of Clay Shaw as they receive no newspapers on the island and their TV receiver has been broken since before Shaw's arrest.

The first time Ferrie flew here he was alone and came to "explore" the facilities. On the second occasion he flew a party of fishermen to Freemason at the request of Veazey. Ferrie at that time operated out of COMM-AIR at New Orleans Lakefront Airport.

Ferrie's third and last visit was a day or two prior to July 11, 1965, at that time he had flown four fishermen to the island in a land plane, making two trips. On July 11, Ferrie telephoned Steve Littleton of Trans-Gulf Seaplane Service Corporation, asking the latter to send a seaplane to Freemason to pick up three fishermen as the lowering ceiling prevented him from doing so in a land plane.

At 1400 hours on July 11, pilot Natt Milligan arrived at the island and brought back only two fishermen. Milligan described these fishermen to me as -

1. White male, 5'11", 55 - 58 years, grey hair, ruddy complexion as if sunburned.

Memorandum to Jim Garrison - Cont'd.

2. White male, 5-6, early 50's,  
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Milligan brought these men to his base at Bayou Sauvage near Chef Menteur.

The original Trans-Gulf log of July 11, 1965 was given to me and confirms the above.

Several assorted photographs were shown to Milligan for possible recognition or identification. He selected one of Andrew Blackman and said he had seen this subject several times in the last three years around the Administration Building of New Orleans Lakefront Airport. Milligan then selected a photograph of Clay Shaw and said this was similar to one of the men he had picked up at Freemason Island for Ferrie. He said that when he arrived at the island these two men were in a small boat in the lagoon fishing and he taxied out to them to say they should hurry as a frontal system was approaching New Orleans. The taller of the two men sat in the rear of the plane. Milligan said he did not get a very good view of either of the men in a fully erect position. When they arrived at the seaplane base, Milligan left immediately and later learned his two passengers had afterwards been taken by car to the Lakefront Airport.

Milligan is forty years of age and may be contacted at Trans-Gulf Seaplane Service Corporation, Route 6, Box 287-AC, New Orleans.

All records, logs and guest registers on Freemason Island were destroyed by Hurricane Betsy on September 9, 1965. The fishing camp re-opened in April, 1966.

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